City Council Introduction: December 3, 2012

Bill Number 12R-295

Public Hearing: December 10, 2012

FACT SHEET

TITLE: Lancaster Co. Visitor Improvement

SPONSOR: Lincoln Parks & Recreation

Grant Fund Contract

OPPONENTS: None known.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: For

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:

APPLICANT: Lincoln Parks & Recreation

REASON FOR LEGISLATION:

This is a multi-year grant contract to receive Visitor Improvement funds from Lancaster County to be used over a 3-year period for a recreational trail along Haines Branch.

DISCUSSION

Visitor Improvement Funds are targeted for ecotourism to be used for development of a recreational trail associated with the Prairie Corridor on Haines Branch. The agreement is for the City to receive a grant in the amount of \$60,000, payable in three annual installments of \$20,000, beginning in Lancaster County's FY 2012-2013, with the last installment in FY 2014-2015. This grant is conditioned on the receipt of a grant from the Nebraska Environmental Trust (NET) for the Prairie Corridor which has been applied for in the amount of \$300,000 per year for three years, totaling \$900,000.

POLICY OR PROGRAM CHANGE: No

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